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VIENNA ARBEITER-ZEITUNG ON 27 APRIL 1967 PUBLISHES A 1,600-WORD ARTICLE BY FRIEDRICH KATSCHER CLAIMING THAT THE PAPER HAS RECEIVED BY MAIL FROM AN UNKNOWN PERSON IN AMERICA A NUMBER OF PRINTED COPIES OF GENUINE OR FORGED DOCUMENTS ALLEGEDLY ORIGINATING FROM DEFENSE MINISTER MCNAMARA, PRESIDENT JOHNSON, CIA DIRECTOR HELMS, AND PRIME MINISTER WILSON. ACCORDING TO THE PAPER, THE AIRMAIL ENVELOPE BEARS THE IMPRINT OF THE CLARIDGE HOTEL IN LIMA, PERU, AND THE CANCELLATION STAMP IS NOT CLEARLY LEGIBLE AND ENDS WITH "...GRON, N.Y.".

THE PAPER CARRIES EXCERPTS FROM THE CONTENTS OF THE FOLLOWING DOCUMENTS:

1--A MEMORANDUM FROM SECRETARY MCNAMARA TO PRESIDENT JOHNSON DATED 3 MARCH 1967 POINTING TO THE NEED OF SOMEBODY INFORMING COMMUNIST CHINA OF THE TRUE RISK IN AN ATOMIC WAR, A RISK CURRENTLY BELITTLED BY CHINESE HAWKS ON THE STRENGTH OF AN OFFICIAL U.S. REPORT IN WHICH THE FALLOUT DANGER WAS MINIMIZED.

2--A MEMORANDUM FROM PRESIDENT JOHNSON TO MCNAMARA DATED 5 MARCH 1967 ACCEPTING THE LATTER'S IDEA AND ASKING FOR DETAILED PROPOSALS.

3--A LETTER FROM CIA DIRECTOR HELMS TO MCNAMARA ON 12 MARCH 1967 SUGGESTING THAT THE PERTINENT INFORMATION BE PLACED INTO THE HANDS OF THE CHINESE SECRET SERVICE IN PARIS THROUGH A DOSSIER.

4--A MEMORANDUM FROM MCNAMARA TO THE PRESIDENT, DATED 13 MARCH 1967, ENDORSING THE PLAN OF THE CIA SPECIAL PROJECTS DIVISION AND GIVING ITS CODE NAME AS "OPERATION EXPENSIVE PLACE".

5--THE PRESIDENT'S REPLY TO MCNAMARA APPROVING "OPERATION EXPENSIVE PLACE," DATED 14 MARCH 1967.

6--A LETTER FROM CIA DIRECTOR HELMS TO MCNAMARA GIVING DETAILS OF "OPERATION EXPENSIVE PLACE".

7--A CODED MESSAGE FROM DEFENSE SECRETARY MCNAMARA TO CIA DIRECTOR HELMS DATED 28 MARCH 1967, WHICH READS: "ACTIVATE OPERATION EXPENSIVE PLACE STOP LONDON IN GO CONDITION".

8--A LETTER TO PRIME MINISTER WILSON FROM THE WHITE HOUSE, DATED 30 MARCH 1967, ENDORSING ATTACHED COPIES OF DOCUMENTS, SIGNED BY SPECIAL ADVISOR HENMAN A. HEIM AND BEARING A LONGHAND FOOTNOTE BY HAROLD WILSON FOR THE ATTENTION OF GEORGE (GROWN--ARBEITER-ZEITUNG).

9--A USAF MAP OF CHINA, "CHINA FIRST STRIKE FEASIBILITY STUDY SHOWING AREAS OF TOTAL DESTRUCTION AND AREAS OF FALLOUT.

10--A DESCRIPTION OF THE CONVAIR 2-58A-10 BOMBER.

THE PAPER NOTES THAT THE CODE USE IN THE CODED MESSAGE NUMBER SEVEN IN ABOVE LIST--IS ONE WHICH HAS NOT BEEN USED BY THE AMERICANS FOR YEARS, AND THAT THERE ARE ALSO SEVERAL OTHER INDICATIONS THAT THE DOCUMENTS WERE FAKED, SUCH AS THE EUROPEAN WAY OF WRITING THE DATES, A "TOP SECRET" STAMP ON THE B-58A-10 BOMBER, DESCRIPTION, A PLANE WHICH IS NOT TOP SECRET, AND THE WORDS "AUTHORIZATION TO TAKE COPIES" IN THE TOP SECRET STAMP WHICH SHOULD READ "AUTHORIZATION TO MAKE COPIES." THE PAPER SAYS THE MOST LIKELY ASSUMPTION IS THAT THE COPIES SUBMITTED TO IT CAME FROM U.S. OR BRITISH SECRET SERVICE AGENCIES USING THIS METHOD TO INFORM WORLD PUBLIC AND THUS ALSO PEKING OF WASHINGTON'S INTENTIONS. THE PAPER ARGUES THAT THE COLLECTION OF DOCUMENTS IS "TOO GOOD TO BE TRUE" SINCE EVERY PHASE OF THE EXCHANGE OF COMMUNICATIONS IS INCLUDED, NO OTHER TOPIC IS MENTIONED AT ALL, WHICH IS UNUSUAL, AND SINCE IT SEEMS IMPOSSIBLE FOR A SPY TO HAVE ACCESS TO ALL THESE DOCUMENTS WHICH WOULD HAVE BEEN FILED IN FOUR DIFFERENT PLACES--THE WHITE HOUSE, DEFENSE DEPARTMENT, CIA, AND AT THE BRITISH PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE.

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